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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
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SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

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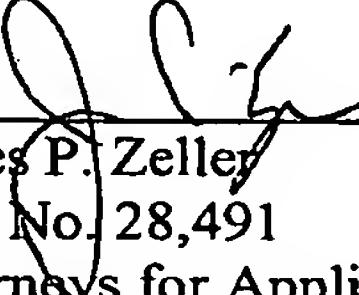
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Respectfully submitted,

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